(*d*) No figures are available in respect of the quantity of petrol and lubricating oil actually *consumed*. The quantity and value of petrol and the value of lubricating oil *imported* are as follows : —

Year.	*Quantity Gallons.*	*Petrol.* Value	*Lubricating oil.* Value.
		Bh. Rs.	Bh. Rs.
1105	1,265,213	20,83,667	1,78,425
1106	3,529,757	43,80,922	74,311
1107	2,021,873	27,26,833	2,86,600
1108	1,819,744	27,03,419	1,15,287
1109	2,522,100	33,13,879	65,223

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : With regard to answer to part (*b*) may I know from the member on what basis the information is prepared ?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar : From the information collected.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : Through what source ?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar : Through several sources.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know the sources from which the information is collected ?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar : The list kept in the office for the registration of cars.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether the price of the cars is entered at the time of the registration ?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar : The approximate price is entered.

Mr. M N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether the prices of old cars are also included when they are registered ?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar : It is only in regard to new cars that registration is generally made.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether the figures include the prices of old cars purchased from outside Travancore and registered in Travancore ?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar : Yes.

Motor cars, etc., purchased for the State from 1100 to 1109.

75. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai :** Will the Government be pleased to state ;

(*a*) the number of motor cars and lorries that have been purchased every year for the State from 1100 to Karkatakam 1109, and the cost thereof ; and

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[Mr. M. N. Parameswaran Pillai]

(*b*) the amount expended annually for repairs, purchase of accessories and for petrol and lubricating oils?

Mr. T. C. Thomman (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A *statement containing the information is laid on the table.

(*b*) A †statement giving the particulars for the period from 1105 to 1109 is laid on the table. The information required for the period prior to 1105 is not available.

Rural uplift in Travancore.

76. ***Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad** (*Jenmies*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) what they are doing in furtherance of rural uplift in Travancore; and

(*b*) whether they have any definite scheme for the purpose, and, if so, what?

Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai (*Director of Industries*):

(*a*) and (*b*). 1. The Itinerant Weaving Parties of the Department of Industries have been training several batches of students of the rural areas in weaving. Deserving students of each batch have been given looms and accessories free of cost so as to enable them to carry on weaving industry in their homes.

2. A batch of 6 students on a stipend of Rs. 5 each per mensem is being trained every year in handicrafts such as durrie and carpet weaving, rattan and basket making and embroidery and lacquer works.

3. Grants are being given to private industrial shools to encourage the development of industries in the rural areas. 61 schools have been given such grants.

4. Loans are being granted to industrial concerns engaged in soap-making, weaving, coir weaving, rice hulling, etc. 127 industrial concerns have been granted loans.

5. An annual grant is being given to the Y. M. C. A., Martandam, which is maintaining a demonstration centre.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether Government have ascertained that these loans were actually applied for the purposes for which they were obtained?

Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai: Yes, Sir.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether the department has detected any case in which the loans have not been properly utilised?

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